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NOTES AND DISCUSSIONS.

DR. KARL ROSENKRANZ.

The death of Dr. Johann Karl Friedrich Rosenkranz (June, 1879) is announced by the public press. Since 1833 he had occupied at Königsberg the same chair of philosophy that the illustrious Kant had occupied. His position in philosophy was in the centre of the three divisions into which the school of Hegel divided after his death. Rosenkranz's expositions of the Hegelian system are characterized by an attempt to bring the same into line with the philosophy of the ancients — a very rational endeavor. His contributions to literature are very extensive — his work on Goethe's Life and the philosophic genesis of his writings, being one of the most noteworthy (extracts from this work were published in the JOURNAL OF SPECULATIVE PHILOSOPHY, vols. IV and V). His Science of Pedagogics (1848) remains still the most scientific work on the subject (translation of the same published in the JOURNAL OF SPECULATIVE PHILOSOPHY, vols. VII and VIII). His work on *Hegel as German National Philosopher* (the larger portion of it published in the JOURNAL OF SPECULATIVE PHILOSOPHY) is in the same spirit as the work on Goethe, and an admirable composition.

Recently he has issued from the press of Erich Koschny, Leipzig, autobiographical volumes — Von Magdeburg zu Königsberg (1873), Neue Studien Zur Culturgeschichte (1875), Zur Literaturgeschichte (1875), Zur Literatur und Culturgeschichte (1877). An extended notice of these volumes awaits publication in this Journal. — [Ed.]

DR. APPLETON.

The death of Dr. C. E. Appleton, the founder of *The Academy* (London), occurred in Egypt, on the first of last February, after two years of failing health. Dr. Appleton contributed, to *The Contemporary Review* in 1876, two articles entitled "A Plea for Metaphysic," in which he ably considered the brilliant, but negative essays of Matthew Arnold in their bearings on speculative philosophy. In the same periodical, for July, 1874, he had reviewed the theological works of Friedrich Strauss. Mr. Arnold affects an ignorance of accurate thinking, and congratulates himself not infrequently on the incoherence and inconsistency of his ideas, as on an English-